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In response to the Notice Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.251 dated September 27, 2005, enclosed is a complete and accurate copy of Applicants' record of all of the correspondence between the Office and Applicants for the above-identified application (subject to exceptions noted below).

A copy of the application and the drawings as filed on October 13, 2000 is not enclosed. Applicants understand that these documents are available in the Patent Office Image File Wrapper system and that the Office would prefer not to receive additional copies. Also, copies of some references (listed in detail below) filed with

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Information Disclosure Statements are not enclosed because copies could not be located in Applicants' files.

This correspondence includes copies of the following:

1. Transmittal letter concerning filing of an application under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(f), but excluding copies of Application and Drawings, filed October 13, 2000 (2 pages);
2. Postcard acknowledgment of receipt of application dated October 13, 2000 (1 page);
3. Postcard notice of application serial number (1 page);
4. Filing receipt dated November 24, 2000 (4 pages);
5. Notice to File Missing Parts under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b), dated November 24, 2000 (2 pages);
6. Response to Notice to File Missing Parts including Transmittal Letter, Declaration and Power of Attorney, Recordation Form Coversheet and Assignment, and stamped postcard receipt, dated January 5, 2001 (14 pages);
7. Notice of Recordation of Assignment dated March 23, 2001 (9 pages);
8. Corrected Filing Receipt dated April 9, 2001 (4 pages);
9. Information Disclosure Statement filed April 9, 2001 with form PTO 1449 and stamped postcard showing receipt of copies of 76 references therein (8 pages). Additional copies of the U.S. Patent publications are not enclosed. Additional copies of the following non-patent references are enclosed:
 - a. WO 89/06998, Display System for Data Assisted Bingo Game, filed January 25, 1989 (15 pages);

- b. AT&T Corp. v. Coeur D'Alene Tribe, 45 F. Supp. 2d 995 (D. Id. 1998) (14 pages);
- c. Internet Gambling Prohibition Act of 2000, H.R. 3125, 106th Cong. (2000) (9 pages);
- d. Internet Gambling Prohibition Act of 1999, S. 692, 106th Cong. (1999) (8 pages).
- e. Yerak, Becky, At Cashless Slots: You've Got Mail, and a Jackpot, USA Today, November 13, 2000, Page 2E (4 pages);
- f. Amendment in the Nature of a Substitute H.R. 3125, Offered by Mr. Goodlatte of Virginia (3 pages).
- g. Standing Stone Gaming: Open Gaming Protocol (OGP) Specification, Integrated Performance Decisions, Version 2.1, pp. 1-58, dated April 5, 1999 (58 pages);
- h. POT-O-GOLD 19" Touchscreen Multi-Game Terminal Toucheeasy Keno Play Description (2 pages);
- i. POT-O-GOLD 19" Touchscreen Multi-Game Terminal Toucheeasy Superpick Lotto Play Description (2 pages);
- j. POT-O-GOLD 19" Touchscreen Multi-Game Terminal Toucheeasy Touch 6 Lotto Play Description (2 pages);
- k. POT-O-GOLD 19" Touchscreen Multi-Game Terminal Toucheeasy Touch 6 Lotto Technical Description (1 page); and
- l. POT-O-GOLD 19" Touchscreen Multi-Game Terminal Toucheeasy Supergold Bingo Play Description (2 pages).

After a thorough search of Applicants' records, copies of the following references have not been located and thus are not enclosed:

- a. Casinolink, Mikohn Worldwide;
- b. Casinolink System, Mikohn Worldwide;
- c. QuickTrack, Quick Track Gaming, Inc.;

- d. Oasis II, CDS Systems and Services;
- e. The Future of Gaming Today, Casino Data Systems;
- f. Casino Systems Solutions, IGT International Game Technology;
- g. Welcome to Casino Data Systems, Casino Data Systems;
- h. Introducing A World Of Opportunities, Bally Systems;
- i. Software Offerings, Advanced Computer Services;
- j. Safejack, Mikohn Worldwide;
- k. Monteau, Harold, National Gaming Indian Commission; and
- l. Washburn, Kevin K., National Gaming Indian Commission.

10. Information Disclosure Statement filed March 14, 2002, including form PTO 1449, stamped postcard receipt, and a copy of the cited non-patent literature (7 pages);

11. Status Inquiry filed October 10, 2003, including stamped postcard receipt (2 pages);

12. PTO Response to Status Inquiry dated November 24, 2003 (1 page);

13. Information Disclosure Statement filed November 22, 2004, including form PTO 1449, stamped postcard receipt, and a copy of the cited references (37 pages).

Applicants note that the PALM Content Information document attached to the Notice under C.F.R. 1.251 lists a “Correspondence Address Change” dated November 24, 2000. However, Applicants have no record of such a filing, and Applicants’ file does not include a copy of any correspondence regarding an address change with the Office. Thus, no copy of this correspondence is enclosed.

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